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**Part B for** May 1920

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SUBJECT.

Conversion of the Mysore Blue Book Journal into a Bi-monthly.

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No 2098-2100/E & R 441 dated 11. 5. 1920
To The Comptroller, The Supdt. Govt Printing and The Compiler Blue Book Journal
Sanctions the Conversion of the Blue Book Journal into a bi-monthly and the Continuance of the clerk for about three years.

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Conversion of the Blue-Book Journals into a bi-monthly.

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

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| | Extract from Newspaper Intelligence dated 16th February 1920. | |
| | ------- | Remarks. |
| The Mysore Blue Journal (Quarterly) | Daily Post. 13-2-20 | A correspondent states that the recent criticisms of the Truth on the Blue Book Journal are not supported by facts, and that in view of the concensus of opinion in favour of it, the Government might issue the Journal as a monthly publication and also bring out a kanarese edition of it for the benefit of the masses who are not conversant with English. |

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Dewan's Orders.

1) What does the E.A.Officer think of this suggestion? His views may be submitted through the Chief Secretary.

(Intd) M.K.

18-2-20.

2 Submitted. The suggestions that have been made in the newspapers in regard to the Blue Book Journal, are twofold, first, to make it a monthly publication and second, to issue a Kannada edition of it.

3 A study of the previous issues of the Journal gives the following results as regards the composition of the matter:

| | Vol.I | Vol.II | Vol.III | Vol.IV Nos 1-2 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number of pages | | | |
| Part I (Mysore Govt. orders) | 205 | 233 | 232 | 145 |
| Part II (Reviews of Mysore Govt. Pubns.) | 15 | 13 | 11 | 5 |
| Part III (Extracts from orders of other Govts) | 130 | 223 | 224 | 85 |
| Part IV (Important speeches concerning Mysore and notes furnished by officers) | 40 | 89 | 92 | 53 |

4 It will thus be seen that the Journal

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is composed, in about equal proportions, of Mysore Government orders and of useful extracts from orders of other Governments, with about 20 pages of miscellaneous matter.

5 As regards the circulation of the journal the number of subscribers has been practically steady from the beginning, being 260 in 1916-17, 250 in 1917-18, 265 in 1918-19 and 275 in 1919-20. Of late, however, the number of non-official subscribers has increased, but it is still about 70 of whom 30 are from outside the State. On account of recent correspondence in newspapers, there has been some influx of subscribers, 15 persons having been enrolled as subscribers ~~since last~~ in February 1920. The percentage of non-official subscribers is nevertheless still low.

6 To consider the first suggestion now, it has to be stated that the matter available for a monthly journal will be very small, being about 40 pages. This is not capable of expansion without a radical change in the scope and nature of the journal. The amount of matter is limited by the Government orders of public interest issued during the quarter or month as the case may be and the other matter included in the journal is useful only so far as it ~~affords~~ conduces to a clearer understanding of the actions of the local Government. The journal is not like other periodicals whose sizes are limited only by the extent of contributions that can be secured.

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7 Secondly, the value of the Blue Book

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Journal as a book of future reference will be impaired, if the matter is distributed over too many issues. As far as possible, it is necessary to congregate all allied matters in consecutive pages while compiling a publication for future reference. Doubtless, an index to each volume cures this defect to some extent, but there should be a reasonable compromise between the two factors above referred to. A quarterly appears to solve the problem better than a monthly.

8 Thirdly, the conversion of the quarterly into a monthly will necessitate extra cost as regards staff and possibly an enhancement of subscription.

9 Taking all these into consideration, it would appear to be unnecessary to convert the journal into a monthly at least for some more time.

10 As regards the second suggestion, it is submitted that the proposal was once before made and it was decided that the time was not ripe for a Kannada edition. As stated already, the number of non-official subscribers to the English edition is not yet large, though there has been a slight increase since the date of the last decision. A Kannada edition will undoubtedly involve additional cost both in the matter of staff and printing and I am not at all hopeful of its success under present conditions. The question may perhaps be considered after the English edition has been more largely taken advantage of by the non-official public.

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I am in full agreement with the views expressed above.

Dewan

8/3/20

6-3-20

12 I should like to know if a bi-monthly issue may not be attempted.

28.3.20

13 It will, if approved, be converted into a bi-monthly from 1920-21, the first number of the New Series issuing in September 1920. It will comprise all orders issued in July & Aug: & connected matter

31-3-20

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Dewan

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14 What about the Cost & who is to be responsible for meeting it?

13.4.20

15 As explained on page 2, the scope for finding matter for the Journal is limited. With a bi-monthly Journal, we shall have about 100 pages for each issue against 150 pages per issue as at present. An attempt will also be made, if approved, to find new matter appropriate to the Journal, from foreign administrative Journals,

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Reports of Royal Commissions, Parliamentary committees and Government Committees and from Hansard (Parliamentary debates)

As regards Cost

(i) Printing. This is merged in the Cost of the Govt Press and no separate provision is necessary.

15A (ii) Staff. One whole time clerk is attending both to B.B.J. work and to work connected with the Bureau of Newspaper Intelligence.

B Sanction for this appointment expires on the 31st May 1920. He will have to be made permanent now.

16 As the work develops and the scope of the Bureau of Newspaper Intelligence is extended to that of Newspaper and Official Intelligence, an additional typist clerk will be necessary, as a much larger volume of matter will have to be scrutinised, studied and arranged for preservation. This aspect will be submitted for consideration later on, when the question of the further continuance or otherwise of the E.A. Staff ~~or other~~ has been decided upon.

Asst Secy 20-4-20

17 Secy Revenue 29-6-20

CM 29/4/20 Asst 17-6-20

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18 Draft says that the B-B-J. wants a bi-monthly Compilation from next year. & ~~that~~ ~~Continue~~ placing the BBJ clerk on a permanent basis

Hon
30-4-20

19 Draft G.O. sent.

Rs 4112 as Rs extra provn is required in the 30/4/1920 Current year's budget as the pay for June 1920 will have to be paid only in July i.e from the budget of 1920-21. Hon
30-4-20.

~~Secy~~ Chief Secy 21 Dr abnormal Dewan ~~Hon Secretary~~ } dy 3/5/20 Hon 4-5-20

H.D. 2708 H.V.N. 4 15/4/20

22 If the Journal can be made a bi-monthly publication without entailing any extra cost - Direct or indirect - there is no financial objn to the proposal.

23 I think it undesirable to make the clerk's appointment permanent. Measures of retrenchment are called for owing to the deterioration in the financial position and ~~of which cause~~ the no of permanent posts can not be increased in the present Circs, without causing considerable financial inconvenience - ommb

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In the retention of the clerk for a further period of 3 years may be approved, as now indicated in the draft, to meet the financial secy's objection

Hon
6-5-20.

Dewan

Draft approved by the Dewan.
8.5.20.

Secretary.
10-5-20

2098 - 2100. dt. 11. 5. 1920

Sanctions the conversion of the R.B.J. into a bi-monthly journal and the continuance of the clerk for three years. To the Comptroller, Supdt. Govt. Printing and the Compiler R.B.J. To the Financial Secretary for communication the order to the Comptroller.

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F. No. 2775-9.

F. D. opinion is contained in the previous page. Draft Fair copies Communications are put up.

Hon
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Communicated
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Record 'B'

Hon
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Copies of Separate file put up a draft notice announcing Govt's decision and to requisition Supdt. Govt. Printing to send instructions to Press Supdt promptly

Hon
13-5-20

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Action taken Separate file
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DEWAN'S OFFICE.
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**Efficiency Audit Branch.**

# ABSTRACT OF NEWSPAPER INTELLIGENCE.

*Date* 16th February 1920.

| No. | Subject of article | Name of newspaper, date and page | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|
| 617 | Mysore State Ry. | The Daily Post 13-2-20 P. 5 | A correspondent states that the Mysore Petta Booking office does not issue tickets to certain stations, that an express might be run between Bangalore and Mysore in order to remove congestion in the trains, that refreshment rooms are badly required at certain places and that there is need for an intermediate class of carriage on the trains. |
| 618 | The City Municipality | -do- 14-2-20. | Refers to two defects which require the immediate attention of the Municipality, viz., the repairing of roads and checking of speculation in the purchase of sites in New Extensions, which has prevented the poor and the middle classes from building houses for their habitation. |
| 619 | The Mysore Blue Book Journal. (Quarterly) | -do- | A correspondent states that the recent criticisms of the Truth on the Blue Book Journal are not supported by facts, and that in view of the concensus of opinion in favor of it, the Government might issue the Journal as a monthly publication and also bring out a Kanarese edition of it for the benefit of the masses who are not conversant with English. |
| 620 | The Public Library Bangalore | -do- | A correspondent states that the Library is in the hands of a most incompetent staff, the librarian being old and not energetic, that subscriptions are not collected in time, that several books have been borrowed by defaulters and are never returned and that the Library should be kept open on all public holidays as people are most likely to visit it on those days. |
| 621 | Mysore Forest trees | The Madras Mail 14-2-20 | States that Mr. M.Rama Rao's book on Mysore forest trees furnished up-to-date information on the subject and is a very useful publication. |

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Signed by Mr. D.V. Ranganathan

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READ—

1. G.O. No. 82-13-2 A.G. dated 4th Nov. 1916, sanctioning the publication of a quarterly Journal, styled "The Mysore Blue Book Journal".

2. G.O. No. 127-128, - 2.A.G. 380 dated 9th July 1919 sanctioning for work in connection with the Journal the entertainment of a 2nd Division clerk on Rs. 60/- for a period of one year from 1st June 1919.

ORDER THEREON.—No. 2098-2100

In modification of the Govt. Order of 4th Nov. 1916 Govt. are pleased to direct that the Mysore Blue Book Journal be converted from a Quarterly into a Bi-monthly publication

over.

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with effect from 1st July 1920.

2. The Clerk sanctioned on Rs 60/- per mensem temporarily till the end of May 1920 for ~~the~~ a work in the second order read above, ~~will be made permanent~~ is now sanctioned for a further period of three years from that date, ~~permanently~~, provision being made ~~in the Budget for~~ accordingly in the budget of 1920-21 and of future years.

Chief Secretary

HWK 30.4.1920

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The Comptroller to Govt. Hyd H Secty

" Supdt. Govt Printing

" Compiler, Blue Book Journal

8.5.20

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